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From the President's Desk



Dear Rotarians & Anns,

March is designated as the month for Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene in the Rotary calendar. Our club continues to align with Rotary's core objectives. We have installed two RO water purifiers. One at Kalaiselvi Karunalayam and the other at Shanthivanam old age home, Selaiyur.

In celebration of International Women's Day, we were proud to honor our very own Annette, Dr. Vinisha Kathiraban, with the Shakthi Natyashri Award in recognition of her achievements.

Our Family Fellowship held on March 12th at the pickleball court was a delightful gathering. The unique outdoor ambiance, combined with a thoughtfully curated menu by Gangothri, was thoroughly enjoyed by all members.

On March 30th, we hosted a prestigious event where we presented the Lifetime Achievement Award to Khel Ratna awardee and Padma Shri, Mr. Sharath Kamal. We also conferred the Vocational Excellence Award to Mr. Paramjit Singh. The event was graced by Padma Shri Vijay Amritraj and our District Governor, Rtn. D. Devendran.

We are also pleased to share that President-Elect Rtn. Dr. Poornima Karthik attended the PELS in Bangkok along with her spouse Dr. Karthik, PP Rtn. Kavitha Shankar, PP Rtn. Meenakshi PK, PDG Mahaveer Bothra, and Ann Jayashree Bothra.

Dear members, we have the Governor's Official Visit scheduled on April 9th. We request all members to kindly attend and contribute to making this event a grand success.

Yours in Rotary,
Dr. Pravin Tellakula

President
Rotary Club of Madras T Nagar 2025-26

Editor's Desk



Rotary's Area of Focus for March is Water, Sanitation, and Hygiene. Clean water, proper sanitation, and hygiene education are essential for a healthy environment and a productive life.

Our club, RCMT, continues to actively support this cause by installing RO water plants in orphanages and government hospitals, constructing toilet blocks, and promoting hygiene awareness among students in corporation schools.

We are pleased to inform you that our Official Governor's Visit is scheduled for 9th April. We kindly request all members to be present and support this important event.

Warm regards,
Rtn. Shanthala Sathya

Club Service

Director **Rtn. Dr. J. Ganapati**

Picnic at the Pickleball Court

On March 12th, RCMTians came together to enjoy a delightful dual celebration — a warm Family Fellowship and a vibrant Women's Day event.

Pickleball enthusiasts made the most of the court, trying their hand at this increasingly popular sport, while others enjoyed a variety of off-court games, lively conversations, and delicious food in great company.

A special highlight of the evening was the **Women's Day award** presented to our very own **Ann. Dr. Vinisha Kathiravan** — a truly well-deserved recognition. Ann. Sumathi's write-up about Vinisha

was both engaging and insightful, adding a personal touch to the celebration.

The thoughtfully curated menu, catered by Gangotri, complemented the unique outdoor ambience and was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

Under the leadership of **President Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula**, and with the wonderful support of his first lady **Ann. Sridevi**, along with **Rtn. Meena PK**, **Rtn. Dr. Mahalakshmi**, and **Rtn. Dr. Poornima Karthik**, the evening turned into a truly memorable and lively gathering.





The Award Night



Rotary Award Ceremony of Sporting Icons - A night to remember

With **Padmashri Vijay Amritraj** as the ambassador of our event, it has become a much-awaited and prestigious occasion..one that reflects grace, excellence, and purpose.

More than a celebration, it has quietly turned into a lesson in leadership and humility. And every year, when we wonder who next, we somehow discover the very best in sport.

This year, our very own local hero **Khel Ratna awardee Padmashri Sharath Kamal** was a proud recipient of the **Lifetime Achievement Award**, making the moment even more meaningful.

Our **Vocational Service awardee *Mr Paramjit Singh**, a respected referee, in the field of Golf, was equally well received, adding depth and diversity to the honours.

DG.Rtn. D Devendran was the guest of honour. The evening itself was elegant and classy. It began with a crisp presentation by the ***President Rtn. Dr. Pravin Tellakula** outlining the years projects that define our purpose.

Each awardee was introduced in a unique and thoughtful manner, beautifully capturing the spirit of our club and its camaraderie.

What followed were truly inspiring acceptance speeches.

The golfer spoke with quiet pride.

Sharath Kamal paid a heartfelt tribute to his coaches, who always encouraged him to dream BIG

And **Vijay Amritraj** reflected on the dedication of his parents, the power of passion, and, most importantly, the idea of leaving your 'Foot Print 'behind.

His deep and enduring bond with **Rajan Eye Care** was evident and touching.

This star studded event held at GRT Grand Hotel followed by fellowship and dinner.

For Rotary T. Nagar, the Golf tournament is not just a sporting event- it is a powerful platform to raise funds for our many impactful projects. This evening stands as a culmination of that effort- a celebration of purpose, people, and possibility.

For in giving, we rise, and together, we pull.”

Regards

Ann. RATHNA Krishnan











Akshayam

Project Akshayam 328 days Annadhanam .

Chairman

Rtn. Balasubramanyam

Annadhanam ,the most pious & meritorious of all Charity.

Total number of Annadhanam stands at 328 in 274 days of the current Rotary year.



RCMT acknowledges the Annadhanam team ably sphere headed by **Rtn. Balasubramanyam** We request RCMTians to continue support and donating towards this noble cause .





ANNADANAM IN MARCH 2026

1	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
2	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
3	N R Mukundan	Charu Illam
4	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
5	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
6	Anand Sampath	Sankara Home For The Aged
7	S Balasubrahmanyam	Sankara Home For The Aged
8	Dr Rengan	Charu Illam
9	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
10	N V Prasad	Sankara Home For The Aged
11	Kavita Shankar	Akshaya Trust
12	N V Prasad	Arunodayam
13	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust

14	Shanthala Sathya	Arunodayam
15	S Balasubrahmanyam	Sankara Home For The Aged
16	Muralidharan	Sankara Home For The Aged
17	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
18	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
19	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
20	Kapilkumar	Akshaya Trust
21	Sharbari Debroy	Akshaya Trust
22	Asha Ravi	Sankara Home For The Aged
23	Neeraj Tripathi	Sankara Home For The Aged
24	Nunna Surya Rajendra	Charu Illam
25	Ashish Dubey	Sankara Home For The Aged
26	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
27	Bamini Ramanujam	Sankara Home For The Aged
28	V T Moorthy	Charu Illam
29	DRBCCC Charities	Akshaya Trust
30	Nandini Sheth	Akshaya Trust
31	Kavitha Srinivasan	Akshaya Trust
	Total	31

Vocational Service

Shakthi Natyashree Award

On the occasion of Women's day We RCMTians recognised the young talented Annette **Dr. Vinisha Kathiravan**, Barathanatyam dancer & Clinician and awarded her with **Shakthi Natyashree Award** at the RCMT family get-together held at the Pickle ball court.

Lifetime Achievement Award– Presented to **Padmashri Achanta Sharath Kamal**, an ace table tennis player whose contributions to the sport have been truly legendary.

Vocational Excellence award bestowed upon **Mr. Paramjit Sing**, an exceptional Golfer .

Award night held at GRT Grand Hotel in presence of Padmashree Vijay Amirthraj and DG. D. Devendran RI Dist 3233.





Community Service Health

Director. **Rtn. Dr. Madhusudan**



Launch of "Women Vision 360° – Comprehensive Eye Care Project" in Rajan Eye Care Hospital.

In a meaningful step towards women's welfare and community health, the Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar, in association with Rajan Eye Care Hospital, Rotary Rajan Eye Bank, and Chennai Vision Charitable Trust, proudly conducted the launch of the "Women Vision 360° Comprehensive Eye Care Project."

This special initiative, launched under the guidance of Prof. Dr. Mohan Rajan, was dedicated to supporting

and empowering women who serve society with determination and resilience.

As part of the Women Vision project, 300 deserving women Pink Auto drivers in Chennai and their families were given Privilege Cards - a lifetime FREE comprehensive eye care which includes Free Eye Screening, Free Spectacles, Free lasers and Free Cataract Surgeries etc.

These hardworking women spend long hours navigating the city's roads under demanding conditions.





Eye Care Projects

RCMT, in association with Rajan Eye Care, is conducting free eye camps for underprivileged communities as well as in schools and colleges. Free spectacles are provided, and wherever necessary, free cataract surgeries are also performed. Rtn. Dr. Mohan Rajan and Dr. Sujatha Mohan are rendering this noble service in support of a Blind-Free India.



CAMP REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 2026

Date	Day	Camp Venue	No.of Screened	No.of Cataract surgery Done	Exp	No of Spectacles Given	Exp	Referred patient for Treatment	Transportation	Total
1ST MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	KODUNGAIYUR, CHENNAI	82	7	35000.00	10	10000.00	16	4000	49000.00
1ST MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	VYASARPADI, CHENNAI	78	8	40000.00	9	9000.00	13	2000	51000.00
3RD MARCH 2026	TUESDAY	VALLUVARKOTTAM, CHENNAI	106	12	60000.00	11	11000.00	23	2000	73000.00
4TH MARCH 2026	WEDNESDAY	GOVT HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, ELAPAKKAM, ACHARAPAKKAM	552	0	0.00	33	33000.00	17	0	33000.00
6TH MARCH 2026	FRIDAY	BROADWAY, CHENNAI	68	6	30000.00	8	8000.00	11	2000	40000.00
8TH MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	KODUNGAIYUR, CHENNAI	102	11	55000.00	12	12000.00	14	2500	69500.00
8TH MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	EAST NAMASHIVAYAPURAM, CHENNAI	76	9	45000.00	11	11000.00	9	2000	58000.00
12TH MARCH 2026	THURSDAY	GOVT HIGHER SECONDARY SCHOOL, MORAPAKKAM, ACHARAPAKKAM	721	0	0.00	18	18000.00	17	0	18000.00
15TH MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	VELLATHUR, THIRUVALLUR DISTRICT	104	12	60000.00	14	14000.00	18	8000	82000.00
22ND MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	GUMMIDIPOONDI, THIRUVALLUR DIST	112	10	50000.00		0.00	17	6000	56000.00
29TH MARCH 2026	SUNDAY	TIRUTTANI, THIRUVALLUR DIST	139	15	75000.00	19	19000.00	16	8000	102000.00
		No.of Camp	2058	83	415000.00	135	135000.00	155	32500	582500
		No.of cataract surgery	83							
		No.of Spectacles given	152							
		Referred for treatment	151							

RCMT at the District

Ugadi Sambaralu 2026

Rotary International District 3233 organized a grand Telugu New Year (Ugadi) celebration on 15th March 2026 at the Madras Race Club, Guindy.

The event was graced by the esteemed Chief Guest, Sri Jonnavithula Ramalingeswara Rao, renowned poet and lyricist. The Guests of Honour included Mr. Pavan Kumar Reddy, Deputy Commissioner of Police, Tambaram Commissionerate, and Mr. Chinni Jayanth, noted film director, producer, actor, and comedian.

District Governor Rtn. Damodaran Devendran and District First Lady Ann Archana Devendran hosted the celebration with exceptional warmth and elegance, making it truly grand and memorable.

The event beautifully captured the essence of Ugadi, bringing together fellowship, rich cultural traditions, and festive joy. The sumptuous lunch and thoughtfully curated gift hampers added to the overall delight of the occasion.

It was indeed a memorable celebration filled with warmth, tradition, and the true spirit of Rotary fellowship.



PELS

President Elect Learning Seminar was held at Bangkok from 26th - 29th March 2026 under the Leadership of DGE Rtn. Shiram Duvvuri.

President Elect Rtn. Dr. Poornima Karthik and her spouse Dr. Karthik along with PDG Rtn. Mahaveer Bothra, Ann. Jayashree Bothra, PP Rtn. Meenakshi PK and PP Rtn. Kavitha Shankar from RCMT attended the same.



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Regional membership summit



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IN BRIEF



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Sharath Kamal honoured with Rotary Club award

Former India table tennis star Sharath Kamal and tournament director of Indian Golf Union Paramjit Singh were given the 'Lifetime Achievement' and 'Vocational Excellence' award respectively by Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar RI District 3233 on Monday. Tennis legend Vijay Amritraj was the chief guest while D. Devendran, district governor (2025-26), RI District 3233, was the guest of honour.



Rotary award for table tennis player Achanta Sharath Kamal

The Rotary Club of Madras, T. Nagar, presented the Lifetime Achievement Award to Achanta Sharath Kamal, table tennis player, for his exceptional sporting career, and his contribution to elevating India's stature on the global stage. The Club also conferred the Vocational Excellence Award to Paramjeet Singh, in recognition of his outstanding contributions and professional integrity in the field of golf. Tennis legend Vijay Amritraj, Pravin Tellakula, President Rotary Club of Madras, T. Nagar, D. Devendran, District Governor, Rotary International District 3233, Dr. Mohan Rajan were present.

Alarm foils bank break-in bid by youth in Postal Colony

A 26-year-old employee of a private firm has been arrested for attempting to rob a bank in Postal Colony, with the burglary bid foiled after the alarm system was triggered. The incident occurred around midnight on March 7.

தீன மலர்

நிறுவனர் : டி.சி. சாமசுப்பிரமணியன்
ஆசிரியர் : கி. சங்கரன்

சாதனையாளர்களுக்கு விருது வழங்கி கவுரவம்



ரோட்டரி கிளப் ஆப் மெட்ராஸ் - திருநகர் கார்டில் விருது வழங்கும் விழா நேற்று நடந்தது. இது 'வாழ்நாள் சாதனையாளர் விருது' டேயின் கௌரவம் வீரர் சாதகமும், 'தொழிலாளர் சிறப்பு விருது' இத்தியல் கோல்ப் டிஸ்க்ரீஷன் போட்டிகளை நடத்தும் அதிர்ஷ்ட பரம்பலித் சிங்கிதமும் வழங்கப்பட்ட உடல், இடமிருந்து வலம்: ஈஜஸ் கண் மருத்துவமனை தலைவர் ஈஜஸ், ரோட்டரி கிளப் திருநகர் தலை பிரிவின் தெல்க்குல்லா, முன்னாள் டெக்ஸ்டைல் வீரர் விஜய் அமித்ராஜ், ரோட்டரி கிளப் திருநகர் முன்ன தலைவர் ஜேக்கப் ஈஜஸ், ரோட்டரி மாவட்ட கவர்னர் தேவேந்திரன், ரோட்டரி கிளப் திருநகர் செல் வேப்பா ஆனந்த் மற்றும் முன்னாள் தலைவர் முரளி பஸ்கர், இடம்: திருநகர்.

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Vijay Amritraj presents Rotary Award to Sharath Kamal

Chennai, Mar 31: The Rotary Club of Madras, T. Nagar, celebrated 40 years of service with a glittering awards ceremony on Monday, honouring sporting legends in its 14th consecutive year of recognizing excellence. Tennis icon Vijay Amritraj, as Chief Guest, presented the prestigious Lifetime Achievement Award to table tennis maestro Achanta Sharath Kamal for his illustrious two-decade career. A multiple-time national champion and India's most decorated paddler, Kamal has clinched gold at the Commonwealth Games, competed in Olympics, and inspired generations by elevating table tennis on the global stage. Amritraj also handed the Vocational Excellence Award to golfer Paramjeet Singh, Tournament Director of the Indian Golf Union, saluting his professional integrity, consistent performances, and notable victories on the competitive circuit. The event saw dignitaries including Dr. Mohan Rajan (Chairman, Rajan Eye Care), Pravin Tellakula (President, Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar), Jacob Rajkumar (Past President), D. Devendran (District Governor), Shoba Anand (Club Secretary), and Murali Baskar (Past President). Over the years, the club has felicitated cricketer greats like Kapil Dev, VVS Laxman, Leander Paes, Kris Srikkanth, G R Viswanath, Syed Kirmani, and Sunil Gavaskar, underscoring Chennai's deep ties to India's sporting legacy.

Madras T Nagar RC honours achievers

[NT BUREAU] Chennai, Apr 1: The Rotary Club of Madras T. Nagar marked its 40th year of community service with a grand awards ceremony, celebrating excellence and social impact. At the event, table tennis legend Achanta Sharath Kamal was honoured with the Lifetime Achievement Award for his outstanding contribution to Indian sport, while golfer Paramjeet Singh received the Vocational Excellence Award. Tennis icon Vijay Amritraj attended as the Chief Guest,



adding prestige to the occasion. The ceremony highlighted the club's four decades of impactful service in healthcare, education, and social welfare, reaffirming its continued commitment to community development and the spirit of "Service Above Self."

CSK's IPL clash at Guwahati

RCMT Congratulates Dr. Sujatha Mohan for receiving Golden Women Excellence award



Greetings

Birthday wishes to

05.04.2026	N.R. Mukundan
07.04.2026	Rekha Devalla
13.04.2026	A.S. Kumar
13.04.2026	Shwetha Mohta
15.04.2026	Sheela Rajendra
15.04.2026	Dr. Mohan Rajan
16.04.2026	Chitra Ravi
17.04.2026	Nirmala Yuvaraj
20.04.2026	Hemlatha Challani
20.04.2026	Suresh Jain
21.04.2026	Gopal Ratnam
24.04.2026	Lakshmi Murali
25.04.2026	N.Ramakrishnan
26.04.2026	Sumathi Govindrajan
27.04.2026	Sharmila Sasi Kannan

Wedding Anniversary wishes to

20.04.2026	Mahalaxmi and Sivaraman
20.04.2026	Sunita and Suresh Sancheti
24.04.2026	Manjula and Dr. Ganapathi
26.04.2026	Nandini and Vijaay Sheth
30.04.2026	Sangeeta and Dilip Chandan



Inspired to Serve

